

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Guardianship and Advocacy Act is amended by
5 changing Section 14 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3955/14) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 714)

7 Sec. 14. Each regional authority shall consist of at least
8 7 members and no more than ~~the~~ 9 members appointed by the
9 Director, in accordance with this Section. Each regional
10 authority shall include insofar as possible one professionally
11 knowledgeable and broadly experienced employee or officer of a
12 provider of each of the following services: mental health,
13 developmental disabilities, and vocational rehabilitation. No
14 other employee or officer of a service provider shall be
15 appointed to a regional authority. In making appointments, the
16 Director shall strive to ensure representation of minority
17 groups and of eligible persons, and shall give due
18 consideration to recommendations of persons and groups
19 assisting eligible persons. The Director may remove for
20 incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office any
21 member of a regional authority. All actions taken by the
22 Director to appoint or remove members shall be reported to the
23 Commission at the next scheduled Commission meeting.

1 Each regional authority shall annually elect a chairman
2 and any other officers it deems necessary. Members of the
3 regional authorities shall serve for a term of 3 years, except
4 that the terms of the first appointees shall be as follows: 3
5 members serving for a 1 year term; 3 members serving for a 2
6 year term; and 3 members serving for a 3 year term. Assignment
7 of terms of such first appointees shall be by lot. No member
8 shall serve for more than 2 consecutive 3 year terms. A quorum
9 shall consist of a majority of appointed members. ~~Five members~~
10 ~~shall constitute a quorum.~~

11 Vacancies in the regional authorities shall be filled in
12 the same manner as original appointments.

13 Members of the regional authorities shall serve without
14 compensation but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses
15 incurred in the performance of their duties.

16 Each regional authority shall meet not less than once
17 every 2 months. Meetings may also be held upon call of the
18 Regional Chairman or upon written request of any 5 members of
19 the regional authority.

20 (Source: P.A. 96-271, eff. 1-1-10.)